

RAUNDS URBAN DISTRICT



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FOR THE
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To the Chairman and Members of the
Urban District Council of Raunds.

Madam Chairman, Mrs. Loasby and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Environmental Health of the Urban District of Raunds.

The statistics relating to the Urban District for the year 1971 are given on page 4 and are satisfactory, the most notable feature being an increase in the population of 570 persons.

Little serious illness occurred during the year. One case of Food Poisoning was notified. This was contracted whilst on holiday abroad and there were no secondary cases.

The Sewage Disposal Works at Raunds and Stanwick are outdated and overloaded. Plans are in hand for the construction of new Sewage Disposal Works and it is expected that the project will commence in the middle of 1972.

In the Autumn I suggested that members of the staff should be offered vaccination against Influenza and the Council readily agreed. Those who availed of the offer were vaccinated in December.

My thanks are due to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their co-operation during the year and to Mr. Potter and Miss Langley for their assistance in the preparation of this Report.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

F.R.N. LYNCH

SECTION A

SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS

Comparative Statistics for the Five Year Period 1967 to 1971

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Area of the Urban District (acres)	6,483	6,483	6,483	6,483	6,483
Population (Registrar General's Estimate)	5,000	5,190	5,370	5,470	6,040
Number of Live Births	106	128	110	113	133
Legitimate	99	124	102	107	126
Illegitimate	7	4	8	6	7
Birth Rate per 1,000 pop.	21.2	24.7	20.5	20.7	22.0
Number of Stillbirths	2	3	1	1	1
Legitimate	2	3	1	1	1
Illegitimate	-	-	-	-	-
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total births	19.0	23.0	9.0	8.8	7.4
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 population	0.4	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.2
Number of Deaths	74	70	76	70	68
Death rate per 1,000 population	14.8	13.5	14.2	12.8	11.3
Deaths from Pregnancy, Childbirth and Abortion	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Infant Deaths	2	-	3	2	4
Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 Live Births	19.0	-	27.0	17.7	30.0
Neonatal Mortality rate per 1,000 Live Births	19.0	-	18.0	8.8	15.0
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births	-	-	18.0	8.8	15.0
Perinatal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1,000 total Live and Stillbirths)	18.5	22.9	27.0	17.5	22.4
Deaths from all forms of Tuberculosis including late effects	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Respiratory Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Malignant Neoplasms	12	17	13	15	15
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Enteritis and Diarrhoea under two years of age	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Acute Poliomyelitis and Polioencephalitis	-	-	-	-	-
Natural increase in population, i.e. increase of Births over Deaths	32	58	34	43	65

4. Neonatal Mortality rate per 1,000 Live Births

Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area

Area (acres)	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,483
Population 1961 (Census)		...	...	...	...	...	4,570
1971 (Census)		...	...	...	...	...	5,945
1971 (Mid-year estimate)..		...	...	...	...	...	6,040
Number of inhabited houses 1961 (Census)			...	...	...	...	1,650
1971	...		...	...	...	...	2,327
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	...	...	£175,186
Sum represented by Penny Rate		...	...	...	...	...	£ 1,640

The Urban District of Raunds, which includes the parish of Stanwick, covers an area of 6,483 acres, and the density of population is 0.9 persons per acre. The Housing Factor is 2.5 persons per house.

The chief occupations of the inhabitants are as follows:-

Tanning, the manufacture of footwear and clothing and processing of animal food.

The social conditions of the district are satisfactory and at the end of the year the Rate of unemployment in the area was 1.0% of the working population. The National Rate was 4.3 per cent.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS, 1971

<u>LIVE BIRTHS</u>						<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	...	...	...	...	...	69	57	126
Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	7
Total						<u>72</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>133</u>
Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population								22.0
Adjusted Birth Rate (Comparability Factor 1.18)								26.0
<u>STILLBIRTHS</u>								
Legitimate	...	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
Total						<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Rate per 1,000 total births (live and still)								7.4
<u>DEATHS</u>								
Number registered all causes						36	32	68
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population								11.3
Adjusted Death Rate (Comparability Factor 0.79)								8.9
<u>DEATHS FROM CERTAIN SPECIFIED CAUSES</u>								
Cardio-vascular Disease (all forms)	...	...				14	14	28
Malignant Neoplasms (all forms)	...	...				8	7	15
Cerebrovascular Disease	...	...				1	2	3
Diseases of Respiratory System	...	...				6	4	10
<u>DEATHS FROM MATERNAL CAUSES</u>								-
<u>DEATHS OF INFANTS (under 1 year)</u>						4	-	4
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births								30.0
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 Legitimate live births								23.8
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 Illegitimate live births								142.8
<u>DEATH OF INFANTS (under 4 weeks)</u>						2	-	2
Neonatal Mortality Rate								15.0
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate								15.0
Perinatal Mortality Rate								22.37

CLASSIFICATION OF CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE, 1971

List No.	Cause of Death	Sex	All Ages	Under 4 Weeks	4 Weeks & Under 1 Year	Age in Years									
						1 - 4	5-14	15 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 - 74	75 and over	
B19(3)	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ...	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
B19(6)	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	
B19(10)	Leukaemia	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B19(11)	Other Malignant Neoplasms ...	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B21	Diabetes Mellitus	M	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	1	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B23	Anaemias	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B26	Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B27	Hypertensive Disease	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	
B28	Ischaemic Heart Disease ...	M	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	4	1	
B29	Other forms of Heart Disease	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	4	
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B30	Cerebrovascular Disease	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B46(6)	Other Diseases of Circulatory System	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B32	Pneumonia	M	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
		F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
B33(1)	Bronchitis and Emphysema ...	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	
B34	Peptic Ulcer	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
B36	Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B46(9)	Other Diseases of Digestive System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B46(11)	Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B42	Congenital Anomalies	M	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B43	Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc.	M	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B44	Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	M	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
OE4B	All Other Accidents	M	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	
TOTAL ALL CAUSES		M	36	2	2	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	15	6	
		F	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	

COMMENTS ON VITAL STATISTICS

1. POPULATION:- The Registrar General's mid-year estimate of population i.e. 30 June 1971, is 6,040. The corresponding figure for 1970 was 5,470 giving an increase of 570 in the twelve months.
2. BIRTHS:- There were 133 live births in 1971, which is an increase of 20 in the number registered for the previous year. This gives a Crude Birth Rate of 22.0 per 1,000 population. The corresponding figure for 1970 was 20.7.

It will be apparent that the Birth Rate and Death Rate in any place is influenced by the age and sex distribution of the population so that in order that more exact comparisons can be made between one area and another the actual Rate is multiplied by a number called the Comparability Factor, the result being known as the Adjusted, or Corrected Rate. These Comparability Factors are supplied by the Registrar General and are based on the age and sex distribution as shown by the Census. For Raunds the Birth Rate Comparability Factor is 1.18 and the Corrected Birth Rate standardised on the basis of age and sex composition therefore gives the Adjusted Rate of 26.0. The Adjusted Rate of 26.0 compares with 24.4 for 1970 and the Provisional Crude Rate for England and Wales of 16.0.

3. DEATHS:- There were 68 deaths from all causes in 1971. The figure for last year was 70 and the corresponding Crude Death Rates are 11.3 and 12.8. In the same way as described in the case of 2 BIRTHS, above, the Death Rate is standardised by the use of a further Comparability Factor. Its value for Raunds is 0.79 and the Adjusted Death Rate corrected by means of this calculation is found to be 8.9. The Provisional Crude Rate for England and Wales as a whole is reckoned by the Registrar General to be 11.6.
4. DISPOSAL OF THE DEAD:- Of the 68 deaths during the year, 49 bodies were disposed of by cremation at Kettering Crematorium, giving a percentage of 72.
5. INFANT MORTALITY:- There were four deaths of infants under one year of age. The Infant Mortality Rate was 30.0 per 1,000 live births. The rate in 1970 was 17.7. The corresponding Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales as a whole is 18.0. Two deaths occurred in the first month of life. This method of expression is referred to as the Neonatal Mortality and the rate for 1971 is 15.0 per 1,000 live births. The current Rate for England and Wales is 12.0. I append details of the causes and other particulars concerning the deaths.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Cause of Death</u>
9 hours	M	Prematurity
10 hours	M	Extreme Prematurity
2 months	M	Raised intra-cranial pressure. Congenital Hydrocephalus and Spina Bifida
5 months	M	Virus Pneumonia

STILLBIRTHS:- There was one Stillbirth registered in the District there was also one in 1970 and the rates are 7.4 and 8.8 respectively. The Rate for England and Wales is 12.0. I append particulars of this death.

<u>Sex</u>	<u>Cause</u>
F	Intra-Uterine Death

MATERNAL DEATHS:- There were no deaths classed to pregnancy and childbirth.

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

In subsequent sections, full details will be found relating to infectious diseases and environmental health within the Urban District, for which the Council is directly responsible.

The present section relates to those health services which concern the personal health and welfare of the individual rather than public health and the community. The Health Committee of the Northamptonshire County Council is responsible for administration of some of these services under Part III of the National Health Service Act.

Liaison between County Council services and District Council services is facilitated by the fact that your Medical Officer of Health is also a School Medical Officer and Assistant County Medical Officer.

LABORATORY FACILITIES - The Public Health Laboratory at Northampton is available for the examination of specimens in connection with the diagnosis and control of Infectious Disease.

AMBULANCE SERVICE - This is one of the services for which the County Council is responsible, and the area is adequately covered.

DOMICILIARY SERVICES - These include District Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors, who are all highly trained, qualified nurses on the staff of the County Medical Officer. The Home Help Service, also provided by the County Council, is proving more and more valuable in relieving people of domestic worries during periods of illness or confinement, and in helping old folks to remain in their own homes, so that they can retain their treasured independence.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION AND OUT-PATIENT FACILITIES - The Oxford Regional Hospital Board is responsible for these services, a list of which is as follows:-

General Hospitals - Northampton and Kettering

Wellingborough - Wellingborough Hospital - Gynaecological.

Highfield Hospital - Acute medical and skin cases also children.

Isebrook Hospital - General medicine, paediatrics, geriatrics, long stay and maternity.

Rushden Hospital - Tuberculosis and other diseases of the chest, dermatology and mental sub-normality
(children).

Northampton - The Manfield Orthopaedic Hospital

Out-patient facilities are available at the General Hospitals and also at the Rushden Memorial Clinic.

Gynaecological/Obstetrical	1st, 2nd and 4th Monday mornings Tuesday mornings 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday afternoons
General Medicine	2nd and 4th Monday afternoons Alternate Tuesday mornings 2nd and 4th Tuesday mornings afternoons 1st, 3rd and 5th Friday mornings
Dietician	1st Tuesday mornings
General Surgery	1st and 3rd Tuesday afternoons 2nd and 4th Friday mornings 1st and 3rd Friday afternoons
E.N.T.	2nd and 4th Wednesday mornings 1st and 3rd Wednesday afternoons
Chest Diagnosis) Thoracic Surgery) Rushden Hospital	Every Wednesday afternoon Thursday afternoons once a month
Ophthalmology	Thursday mornings and afternoons
Physiotherapy	Monday afternoons Alternate Friday afternoons
Psychiatric	Thursday afternoons
Dermatology	Thursday mornings
Physical Medicine	Monday afternoons Alternate Friday afternoons

Paediatric	Monday afternoons Wednesday mornings
Diabetic	1st Monday afternoon
Orthopaedic	2nd and 4th Friday afternoons

Venereal Disease Clinics:-

Out-patient Department, Kettering General Hospital:-

(Women)	Tuesday	4 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.
(Men)	Tuesday	5.30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Northampton General Hospital; Old Out-Patient Department:-

(Men)	Wednesday	2 - 3 p.m.
	Friday	5 - 6.30 p.m.
(Women)	Monday	5.15 - 6.30 p.m.
	Friday	2.15 - 3.30 p.m.

CHILD HEALTH CLINICS - This service is provided by the County Council and is held at the Brook Street Methodist Church on the first Friday of each month. Stanwick is served by the Mobile Clinics on the first Tuesday of each month.

RELAXATION CLASSES FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS - Brook Street Methodist Church - Wednesday 2 p.m.

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION - Immunisation against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis and vaccination against Smallpox are free services, available either from the Family Doctor or at the County Child Health Clinics. Certain age groups of children can also be given B.C.G. vaccination to protect against Tuberculosis; this is done through the School Health Service. A vaccine for the protection of infants against Measles is available and, in accordance with the policy of the County Health Department, a campaign for the control of, and, it is hoped, ultimate eradication of this disease, was commenced in the Autumn of 1968.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS 1948 AND 1951, SECTION 47 - These Acts give Local Authorities powers to enable them to deal expeditiously with certain cases of persons in need of care and attention which they are unable to provide for themselves and are not receiving from other people.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS 1948 AND 1951, SECTION 47 (Cont'd).

No formal action was taken under this Section of these Acts during 1971.

MEALS ON WHEELS SERVICE - The Women's Royal Voluntary Service arranges for the delivery of "Meals on Wheels" twice a week in appropriate cases. At the present time 30 meals are supplied each week and during the year the total number of meals delivered was 1,316.

SECTION C

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water Supply:- The Nene and Ouse Water Board supply water throughout the District and thirty-six samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service for bacteriological examination during the year and the results confirmed the wholesomeness of the supply for domestic purposes.

Three properties in the District were found to be supplied with water from wells, but only two of these were occupied.

Quite a number of surface wells and soft water tanks, which originally provided domestic water, have been retained by householders who prefer to use the softer water from these sources for household washing.

Fluoride:- The Fluoride content of all the raw water is 0.2 parts per 1,000,000: this is reduced to 0.1 parts per 1,000,000 after filtration and chlorination.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal:- Both the Sewage Disposal Works at Raunds and Stanwick are outdated and overloaded. However, an increased amount of maintenance work was carried out during the year to reduce as much as possible any pollution taking place at the points of disposal. A number of samples taken by the Welland and Nene River Authority were found to be unsatisfactory and this state of affairs will not be able to be remedied until the construction of the new Sewage Disposal Works at Raunds, which will accept sewerage from both Raunds and Stanwick. It is hoped that construction work on this project will commence in the middle of 1972 and be completed two years later.

Generally speaking the sewerage systems in the District have functioned properly during the year.

House Refuse Collection:- A weekly domestic house refuse collection service has been maintained, the bins being removed from the rear of the premises. Following recent legislation on the subject, large items of domestic refuse which cannot normally be taken on the weekly round are removed by a special collection, provided that they are placed within the curtilage of the property near to the highway boundary. The refuse tip at Stanwick is made available for householders to dispose of unwanted materials on Wednesday mornings and Friday afternoons weekly.

Rodent Control:- The Council uses the services of one of the Council workmen on a part-time basis as demand merits. This operative has been trained in the use of rat poisons and he is most enthusiastic in this work.

A free service is given to owners and occupiers of properties in the District and a regular check is made and treatment carried out if necessary at both the Sewage Disposal Works, the refuse tip and upon main watercourses in the District.

Annual treatment of the sewerage systems took place.

Factories Act, 1961:- There are sixteen factories in the District to which eight visits of inspection were made during the year. There are seven "outworkers" in the District all of whom are engaged in the making or cleaning of wearing apparel.

Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961, insofar as this District is concerned, are to be found at the end of the Report.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963:- Twenty-seven premises remained registered under this Act:-

<u>Class of premises</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Persons employed</u>
Offices	8	24
Retail shops	15	70
Wholesale shops and warehouses	2	7
Catering establishments	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>
	27	107
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

A total of forty-five visits was made during the year and the premises were generally found to be satisfactory.

Common Lodging House:- There are none within the District.

SECTION D

HOUSING

The building programme for the year was as follows:-

Number of Council houses completed during the year	-
Number of Council flats completed during the year	-
Number of Council houses under construction at the end of the year	34
Number of private houses completed during the year	160
Number of the private houses under construction at the end of the year	73
Number of unfit houses presented for Clearance or Demolition in 1971	-
Grants issued for conversion or improvement	11

SECTION E

Food and Drugs Act, 1955:-

Milk Supply:- There are no producer-retailers of milk within the Urban District.

Four samples of untreated milk were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination and were reported to have satisfied the brucella ring test.

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963:- There are no pasteurisation plants within the Urban District.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1970:- There are fifty-one premises in the area concerned with the handling of food:-

Grocery	19
Greengrocery	11
Butchers	5
Cafes	1
Public Houses	6
Licensed Clubs	3
Premises preparing food	2
School Canteens	1
Slaughterhouses	3

An absence of adequate staff has not permitted sufficient work to be carried out in this sphere of activity but it is hoped that this will be altered with the intended employment of an Additional Public Health Inspector whose duties will include an emphasis on this important section of work.

Poultry Inspection:- There are no poultry processing premises within the District.

Meat Inspection:- There are three slaughterhouses in the District.

Number of visits to slaughterhouses	264
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Number of carcasses inspected:-	<u>Beast</u>	<u>Pigs</u>	<u>Sheep</u>	<u>Calves</u>
	287	1488	1677	2

Meat Inspection (continued)

Carcases and organs surrendered:-

Carcases	4
Heads	33
Tongues	29
Livers	17
Hearts	3
Hind quarters	1
Legs	2

Bakehouses:- There are no bakehouses within the District.

Fish Shops:- There are two fish shops in Raunds.

Food samples taken by the Chief Inspector, Weights and Measures:- Thirty-nine samples of food were taken and the Inspector reports "It is pleasing to be able to report that all the samples which were obtained in the Urban District during the period under review were found to be satisfactory by the Public Analyst."

SECTION F

THE PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968

Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations

Notification of Food Poisoning and Infectious Diseases

All provisions governing the notification of Infectious Diseases and Food Poisoning are in Sections 47 to 49 of the Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968 and the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1968.

The Infectious Diseases to be notified to the Medical Officer of Health are:-

Acute Encephalitis	Ophthalmia Neonatorum
Acute Meningitis	Paratyphoid Fever
Acute Poliomyelitis	Plague
Anthrax	Relapsing Fever
Cholera	Scarlet Fever
Diphtheria	Smallpox
Dysentery (Amoebic or Bacillary)	Tetanus
Infective Jaundice	Tuberculosis
Leprosy	Typhoid Fever
Leptospirosis	Typhus
Malaria	Whooping Cough
Measles	Yellow Fever

Since 1968 notification of the diseases listed below is no longer required:-

Acute Influenzal Pneumonia	Erysipelas
Acute Primary Pneumonia	Membranous Croup
Acute Rheumatism	Puerperal Pyrexia

Responsibility for notifying a case or suspected case of Food Poisoning or Infectious Disease rests exclusively on the Medical Practitioner attending the patient unless he believes that another practitioner has already notified the case.

The number of Infectious Diseases notified during the year was two, this is the same as last year.

MEASLES:- No cases were notified.

DIPHTHERIA, WHOOPING COUGH AND TETANUS:- Routine immunisation of infants under one year of age with Triple Antigen has again shown its efficacy in preventing these diseases.

Immunisation is carried out either by the Family Doctor or at the County Health Department's clinics. No cases occurred.

POLIOMYELITIS:- This is the fourth disease which is prevented by routine immunisation in infancy. This is again done either by the Family Doctor or at the Health Department's Clinics. No cases occurred.

GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES:- There have been no cases of Gastro-Intestinal disease due to Dysenteric organisms.

A case of Food Poisoning due to an organism of the genus Salmonellae Enteritidis was notified in May. This was an isolated case contracted while on holiday abroad.

VIRAL MENINGITIS:- One case, in a 30 year old man, was reported in October. The patient was treated in hospital.

LEPROSY:- The Public Health (Leprosy) Regulations, 1966 came into force on 1 March 1966.

Under these Regulations, cases of Leprosy are now notifiable to the District Medical Officer of Health and not as heretofore to the Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health and Social Security. No notifications of Leprosy were received.

SMALLPOX:- There were no cases.

TUBERCULOSIS:- No notifications of Tuberculosis were received during the year. One patient transferred into the District. Three names were removed from the Register being now healed. There were no deaths classed to Tuberculosis.

SECTION G

THE FACTORIES ACT

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	-	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authorities.	16	8	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	-	-	-	-
Total	16	8	-	-

2 - CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of Out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel	7	-	-	-	-	-
Stuffed Toys	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7	-	-	-	-	-

